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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Bedford et al.

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Title: USE OF ENZYME FOR THE  
MANUFACTURE OF AN AGENT FOR  
CONTROLLING BACTERIAL  
INFECTION

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the office action dated January 30, 2001,  
the Applicants wish to put forth the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following claim.

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29. A method for treating or preventing a bacterial  
infection in an animal caused by a bacteria selected from the  
group consisting of *Salmonella*, *Campylobacter*, *Clostridium*  
*perfringes*, and mixtures thereof, comprising feeding the  
animal an animal feed which comprises a  $\beta$ -glucanase and at  
least about 25% by weight wheat, the  $\beta$ -glucanase being  
included in the animal feed in an amount effective for  
treating or preventing the bacterial infection.